



Robert Greene Sterne
Jorge A. Goldstein
David K.S. Cornwell
Robert W. Esmond
Tracy-Gene G. Durkin
Michele A. Cimbala
Michael B. Ray
Robert E. Sokohl
Eric K. Steffe
Michael Q. Lee
John M. Covert
Robert C. Millonig
Donald J. Featherstone
Timothy J. Shea, Jr.
Michael V. Messinger
Judith U. Kim
Jeffrey T. Helvey
Eldora L. Ellison
Donald R. Banowitz

Peter A. Jackman
Brian J. Del Buono
Mark Fox Evens
Vincent L. Capuano
Elizabeth J. Haanes
Michael D. Specht
Kevin W. McCabe
Glenn J. Perry
Theodore A. Wood
Edward W. Yee
Grant E. Reed
Jason D. Eisenberg
Tracy L. Muller
Jon E. Wright
LuAnne M. DeSantis
Helene C. Carlson
Cynthia M. Bouchez
Timothy A. Doyle
Gaby L. Longworth

Lori A. Gordon
Laura A. Vogel
Bashir M.S. Ali
Shannon A. Carroll
Anbar F. Khal
Michelle K. Holoubek
Marsha A. Rose
Scott A. Schaller
Lei Zhou
W. Blake Coblentz
James J. Pohl
John T. Haran
Mark W. Rygiel
Michael R. Malek*
Carla Ji-Eun Kim
Doyle A. Siever*
Ulrike Winkler Jenks
Paul A. Calvo
C. Matthew Rozier*

Randall K. Baldwin
Daniel J. Nevriy
Lori M. Brandes
Jeffrey K. Mills*
Mita Mukherjee*
Scott M. Woodhouse*
Christian A. Camarce*
Richard D. Collier III*
Keisha Hyton-Rodit
Bonnie Nannenga-Combs
Alyssa K. Sandrowitz*
Jonathan M. Strang*
Ishan P. Weerakoon*

Registered Patent Agents*
Karen R. Markowicz
Matthew J. Dowd
Peter A. Socarras
Danielle L. Letting

Steven C. Oppenheimer
Aaron S. Lukas
Gaurav Asthana
Stephanie L. Elmer
Robert E. Bakin
Salvador M. Bezos
Yasser Mourtada

Of Counsel
Edward J. Kessler
Kenneth C. Bass III
Marvin C. Guthrie
Christopher P. Wrist
David C. Isaacson

*Admitted only in Maryland
*Admitted only in Virginia
*Practice Limited to
Federal Agencies

August 8, 2008

WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER:
(202) 772-8520
INTERNET ADDRESS:
TWOOD@SKGF.COM

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Group Art Unit 3623
Mail Stop: AF

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No.: 09/988,780; Filed: November 20, 2001
For: **Method for Risk Assessment and Risk Management (As Amended)**
Inventors: **BLADEN et al.**
Our Ref: 1984.0010000

Sir:


Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$1,560.00 to cover: \$510.00 - Notice of Appeal fee; \$1,050.00 - Three (3) month extension of time fee;
2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a); and
3. Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences.

The above-listed documents are filed electronically through EFS-Web. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Fee payment is provided through online credit card payment. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.


Theodore A. Wood
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 52,374

TAW:ddc
Enclosures

859057_I.DOC